



## DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION & POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

### System and Method for Disk Imaging on Diverse Computers

the specification of which (check one)

\_\_\_\_\_ is attached hereto.

**XXX** was filed on 06/30/2003 as U.S. Application Serial No. 10/611,815 and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims and the drawings and as amended by any amendment referred to above. I further acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56.

### FOREIGN APPLICATION AND/OR CLAIM FOR FOREIGN PRIORITY

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Codes, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

N/A  
(Number) (Country) (Date filed) Priority claimed? Yes No

### U.S. PRIORITY CLAIM

I hereby claim the benefits under Title 35, United States Code §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application as provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) that occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

60/462,445 11 April 2003 Pending (Provisional)  
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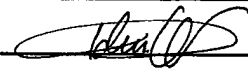
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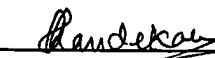
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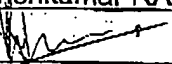
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